Listing of the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A coextruded hot-blown film having at least three layers, the film comprising:

a core layer ~~and, optionally, at least one intermediate layer~~ sandwiched between two skin layers, the film having a haze value of less than about 15% as measured by ASTM-D-1003, a 2% secant modulus greater than about 50,000 psi as measured by ASTM-D-638, and a cross-directional (CD) shrinkage greater than 0% psi as measured by ASTM-D-2732, wherein:

(a) the ~~inner~~ core layer~~, or layers, comprises at least one stiffening polymer~~ is a member selected from the group consisting of~~:~~ low density polyethylene~~, linear low density polyethylene,~~ high density polyethylene, a blend of low density polyethylene and high density polyethylene, ~~blends thereof, polypropylene homopolymer,~~ polypropylene random copolymer~~,~~ ~~styrene/butadiene copolymer, polystyrene, ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer~~ and cyclic-olefin copolymer~~, provided that when more than one inner layer is present, the inner layers can be the same or different;~~ and,

(b) the skin layers, which may be the same or different, ~~comprise at least one~~ are selected from the group consisting of~~:~~ low density polyethylene~~,~~; a blend of low density polyethylene and linear low density polyethylene~~,~~; ~~a blend of low density polyethylene and very low density polyethylene,~~; , polystyrene~~,~~; ~~ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer; a blend of ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer and linear low density polyethylene;~~ cyclic-olefin copolymer~~,~~; styrene-butadiene block copolymer~~,~~; and ~~or,~~ polypropylene random copolymer, provided that the skin layers are devoid of a homogeneously branched polyethylene resin prepared with a single site catalyst.

2. Canceled.

3. (Currently amended) The film of claim 1 wherein the film has a haze value of less than about 5% ~~5 layers~~.

4. (Currently amended) The film of claim 1~~claim 3~~ wherein the film is characterized by a cross-directional shrink force of at least about 6 psi.

5. (Canceled).

6. (Currently amended) The film of claim 1~~claim 3~~ having a 2% secant modulus greater than about 100,000 psi.

7. (Currently amended) The film of claim 1~~claim 3~~ having a cross-directional shrink of between 0% and about 50%.

8. (Currently Amended) The film of claim ~~2~~ 1 wherein the low density polyethylene of the inner layer or layers has a melt index, $I_{2\ 12}$, of less than or equal to 1.0 as measured by ASTM D-1238.

9. (Original) The film of claim 1 wherein the film has 3 layers.

10. (Original) The film of claim 9 having a film structure of A/B/A or A/B/C.

11. (Original) The film of claim 9 having a 2% secant modulus greater than about 60,000 psi.

12. (Original) The film of claim 9 having a 2% secant modulus greater than about 70,000 psi.

13. (Original) The film of claim 9 having a 2% secant modulus greater than about 80,000 psi.

14. (Original) The film of claim 9 having a 2% secant modulus greater than about 100,000 psi.

15. (Original) The film of claim 9 having a cross-directional shrink of between 0% and about 50%.

16. (Currently amended) A coextruded hot-blown film having at least three layers, the film comprising a core layer and, ~~optionally,~~ at least one other inner ~~intermediate~~ layer sandwiched between two skin layers, the film having a haze value of less than about 15% ~~5%~~ as measured by ASTM-D-1003, a 2% secant modulus greater than about 50,000 psi as measured by ASTM-D-638 and a cross-directional (CD) shrinkage greater than 0% as measured by ASTM-D-2732 , wherein~~:~~

(a) the inner ~~layer, or~~ layers~~, comprises at least one stiffening polymer~~ are selected from the group consisting of~~:~~ low density polyethylene, linear low density polyethylene, high density

polyethylene, blends thereof, polypropylene random copolymer, styrene/butadiene copolymer, polystyrene, ~~ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer~~ and cyclic-olefin copolymer, provided that ~~when more than one inner layer is present,~~ the inner layers can be the same or different; and,

(b) the skin layers, which may be the same or different, ~~comprise at least one of:~~ are selected from the group consisting of low density polyethylene,~~;~~ a blend of low density polyethylene and linear low density polyethylene,~~;~~ a blend of low density polyethylene and very low density polyethylene; polystyrene; ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer; a blend of ethylene-vinyl acetate copolymer and linear low density polyethylene; cyclic-olefin copolymer,~~;~~ styrene-butadiene block copolymer,~~;~~ and~~or,~~ polypropylene random copolymer, provided that the skin layers are devoid of a homogeneously branched polyethylene resin prepared with a single site catalyst.

17-19. Canceled.

20. (Original) The film of claim 16 having a 2% secant modulus greater than about 100,000 psi.

21. (Original) The film of claim 16 having a cross-directional shrink of between 0% and about 50%.

22. (Currently amended) The film of claim 16 ~~claim 17~~ wherein the low density polyethylene of the inner ~~layer or~~ layers has a melt index, I_{2}~~$_{12}$~~, of less than or equal to 1.0 as measured by ASTM D-1238.

23-24. Canceled.

25. (Currently amended) The film of claim 16 having a haze value of less than about 5%. ~~2% secant modulus greater than about 100,000 psi.~~

26. (Currently amended) The film of claim 16 having a film structure of A/B/C/B/A or A/B/C/D/E. ~~cross-directional shrink of between 0% and about 50%.~~

27. (Original) The film of claim 16 wherein the film is characterized by a cross-directional shrink force of at least about 6 psi.

28. (Original) The film of claim 16 wherein the skin layers comprise polystyrene, styrene-butadiene copolymer or cyclic-olefin copolymer.

29. (Original) The film of claim 28 wherein the cyclic-olefin copolymer is an ethylene-norbornene copolymer.

30.-48. Canceled.